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## ACCESS CORPORATION ANNOUNCES RECEIPT OF CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA'S APPROVAL OF A PAYMENT COMPANY

Access Holdings Plc trading as Access Corporation ('the Corporation') announces today that it has received the Central Bank of Nigeria's final approval for its wholly owned payment subsidiary, Hydrogen Payment Services Company Limited ('Hydrogen').

Hydrogen with a vision to be Africa's most powerful business network will provide switching and payment processing services to financial service providers and other stakeholders

Speaking on the new subsidiary, **Dr Herbert Wigwe**, Group Chief Executive Officer, Access Corporation said:

'The establishment of Hydrogen is a natural step in our aspiration to create a globally connected community and ecosystem; inspired by Africa for the world and aligns with our mission to build and sustain one global platform, open for anyone to join where people can be connected to exceptional opportunities. Hydrogen will deploy cutting edge technology infrastructure, strong risk management and governance standards to provide secure, cost efficient and convenient payment services to individuals and businesses across the African continent thereby supporting the attainment of the Central Bank of Nigeria's financial inclusion strategy'.

Sunday Ekwochi Company Secretary

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